

Shelby County

County seat: Memphis

Health Indicators

	SOC* 1996	SOC* 1992	% CHANGE
Percent of total population enrolled in TennCare**	25.6%	30.8%	-16.9%
Percent of births lacking adequate prenatal care	33.4%	38.0%	-12.1%
Percent of low-birth-weight babies born	11.0%	10.7%	2.8%
Infant mortality rate per 1,000 live births	14.8	14.4	2.8%
Child death rate per 100,000 children ages 1-14	34.8	42.4	-17.9%
Teen violent death rate per 100,000 teens ages 15-19	104.7	85.7	22.2%
Teen pregnancy rate per 1,000 females ages 15-17	77.8	96.1	-19.0%
Sexually transmitted disease rate per 100,000 teens ages 15-17	4428.1	8062.1	-45.1%

Social Indicators

Percent of students receiving special education	15.4%	11.9%	29.4%
Percent of high school (grades 9-12) dropouts	5.9%	8.0%	-26.3%
Indicated child abuse & neglect rate per 1,000	9.4	12.1	-22.3%
Percent of children under 18 referred to juvenile court	6.1%	6.2%	-1.6%
Rate of children in state care per 1,000	7.6	5.8	31.0%

Economic Indicators

Per capita income by county	\$22,592	\$18,674	21.0%
Percent of children under 18 who received AFDC	23.4%	23.9%	-2.1%
Percent of population receiving food stamps	15.7%	16.3%	-3.7%
Percent of children participating in the National School Lunch Program	45.3%	39.9%	13.5%

* Acronym for The State of the Child in Tennessee for 1992 and current report, 1996.

** TennCare data is from 1994, the earliest year available